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To our patients,

After four decades of providing neurological care, the time has come for me to retire from the active practice of medicine. Over the course of my career, I have encountered many challenges, both in the delivery of healthcare as well as difficulties in dealing with an evolving healthcare system. I have had both successes and failures in both arenas; however, one constant has remained and that has been my devotion and concern for the wellness of my many patients. Although not always successful, I have tried to offer compassionate and skilled care to my patients, many of whom have been with me since the beginning. I consider you all to be my extended family.

In that regard, knowing that retirement was looming, I began a search for someone to replace me as your neurologist. This was not an easy endeavor, but after nearly two years of searching and interviewing, I believe that I have found a young neurologist who is both talented and compassionate enough to take over for me. I strongly suggest that you entrust your continued neurologic care to Dr. Todd J. Maltese, a board-certified neurologist who will maintain both a physical presence in my office as well as your medical records. The office staff—some of whom have been with me for over 10 years—will be remaining the same and will continue to support your needs.

Dr. Maltese joined our practice during the summer of 2014. He graduated medical school from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey – School of Osteopathic Medicine in 2008 and completed his residency in Neurology at Stony Brook University Hospital, where he served as chief resident during his final year. He pursued additional training with fellowships in Neurophysiology (EEG and EMG) and Sleep Medicine at Stony Brook. Skilled in therapeutic injections, Dr. Maltese performs nerve blocks, trigger point injections, and Botox for chronic migraines. He serves as a voluntary Clinical Assistant Professor of Neurology at Stony Brook, and will be actively overseeing the training of medical students from the University here in our office.

Please know that retirement has not been an easy decision for me. I have spent the majority of my life learning the intricacies of neurological disorders and have dedicated myself to the care of patients needing those skills. I wish you all good health and happiness.

Most sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Frederic A. Mendelsohn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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